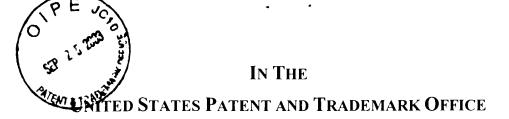
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the official action mailed August 22, 2003, please reconsider the abovereferenced application in light of the following remarks. This Amendment/Response is timely filed. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claims in the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks for the purpose of putting the application in condition for allowance.

Forty-six claims were originally filed in this case, and all claims were subject to restriction requirement under 35 USC § 121. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Examiner requested restriction to one of the inventions I-VI under 35 U.S.C. § 121. The Examiner defined invention of Group I as follows:

I. Claims 1-16, 26, 28-32, 34 and 36 drawn to a composition of endothelial cells comprising immortal microvascular endothelial cells comprising a expression cassette encoding telomerase in vitro, and a method of making said composition in vitro, classifiable in classes 424 and 435, subclasses 93.21 and 373.

Applicant hereby elects the invention defined in Examiner's Group I, claims 1-16, 26, 28-32, 34 and 36 without traverse.

Favorable action and a notice of allowance is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner has any questions concerning this Response, the Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' representative at (650) 335-7185.

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